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## PRINCE GEORGE'S COUNTY POLICE DEPARTMENT



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FCC Mail Room

Marlene H. Dortch, Secretary  
Federal Communications Commission  
445 12<sup>th</sup> Street, S.W.  
Washington, DC 20554

Dear Ms. Dortch:

The Prince George's County Police Department supports the request for partial waiver filed by the International Association of Auto Theft Investigators (IAATI) requesting that the Federal Communications Commission (FCC) waive Section 90.20(e) (6) (ii) of its rules, thereby allowing public safety entities to track and recover stolen vehicles equipped with SVRS equipment for as long as those vehicles are in use.

The IAATI seeks a partial waiver to allow wideband (25 kHz) Vehicle Locator Units to transmit response signals after the FCC's May 27, 2019 narrow banding deadline. We believe that the FCC's grant of IAATI's Waiver Request will greatly benefit the Prince George's County Police Department and the public.

The Prince George's County Police Department is a full service agency with approximately 1,600 officers and 350 civilian employees. We provide police services to almost nine hundred thousand citizens across five hundred square miles.

Our Department has had a successful partnership with LoJack since 1996. Currently, the agency is equipped with more than 100 tracking units and these units have led to countless arrests for stolen autos as well as organized vehicle crimes such as re-plating and vehicle cloning operations. Lojack has assisted in our 14% reduction in stolen autos since 2011 and our 37% reduction since 1994.

Based upon our agency's experience with the LoJack system and the assistance that it provides in our stolen vehicle reduction efforts, we strongly urge the FCC to adopt in full the IAATI Waiver Request.

Respectfully,

*Mark A. Magaw*

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Chief of Police

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